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Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that **Surf clams** (*Spisula solidissima*) from the below-defined portions of Nantucket Sound and Nantucket Shoals and Muskeget Channel **no longer contain biotoxins (PSP)** from the phytoplankton *Alexandrium* (spp) in excess of established standards. **Closures remain in effect for whole Sea scallops** (*Placopecten magellanicus*), and **Moon snails** (*Polinices duplicatus* and *Lunatia heros*),

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A, 75 and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) **at sunrise on September 7, 2006**, the below-defined portions of Nantucket Sound, Nantucket Shoals and Muskeget Channel will revert to their former status prior to the PSP closures of June 3, 2005 (Nantucket) and June 6, 2005 (Muskeget Channel); **except for whole Sea scallops and Moon snails**. Those shellfish areas classified as APPROVED and in the "open" status, to shellfish harvesting are now open to the harvest of Surf clams for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations under authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, section 52.

Nantucket Island
NT:1 – NT:14

"The waters and flats of the Town of Nantucket out to the limits of the jurisdiction of the town."

Edgartown East Coastal
V:23

"The waters and flats of Muskeget Channel and those portions of Nantucket Sound and the Atlantic Ocean bordering the Town of Edgartown east of a line drawn from the Cape Poge Lighthouse due north to the Edgartown Town Line; and, east of a line drawn from Wasque Point due south to the Commonwealth Territorial Boundary; and, north of a line of a line drawn along the Commonwealth Territorial Boundary; and, south of a line drawn along the Dukes County Line; and, west of a line drawn along the Edgartown/Nantucket Town Line."

Nantucket Sound
NS:3 (Nantucket Sound Southwest Center), NS:4 (Nantucket Sound Northwest Center)

"The waters of the western portion of Nantucket Sound beyond town jurisdictions

Sincerely,

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